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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

13 February 8, 2011

SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER

APPROVE TRANSFER OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES FOR THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER BASED PROGRAM AND CALWORKS/GAIN/GROW/GR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PROGRAM CONTRACTS

(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS - 3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

This is to request approval to transfer delegated authority for the Domestic Violence Shelter Based Program (DVSBP) and the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids/Greater Avenues for Independence/General Relief Opportunities for Work/General Relief Domestic Violence (CalWORKs/GAIN/GROW/GR DV) Supportive Services Program contracts from the Director of the Department of Community and Senior Services (CSS) to the Director of the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS), and authorize the Director of DPSS to execute contract amendments, and/or contract renewals with approval by the Chief Executive Office (CEO) and County Counsel prior to such transactions.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Approve the transfer of delegated authority from the Director of CSS to the Director of DPSS or designee for the DVSBP and the CalWORKs/GAIN/GROW/GR DV Supportive Services Program to execute Master agreements, contracts and related amendments.
- 2. Approve delegated authority of the Director of DPSS or designee to execute amendments to the DVSBP contracts not to exceed 25 percent of the original contract amounts and execute amendments to the CalWORKs/GAIN/GROW/GR DV Supportive Services Program contracts to increase or decrease original contract amounts, based on Contractor's performance and availability

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of funding provided that (a) approvals of the CEO and County Counsel are obtained prior to such amendment and (b) the Director of DPSS or his designee confirms in writing to the Board of Supervisors and the CEO within 30 days after execution of amendments.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of recommended action number one will enable DPSS to continue with the administration of contracts for the provision of a multitude of DV services. Approval of recommended action number two will ensure the County may expend all funds allocated to the DVSBP and the CalWORKs/GAIN/GROW/GR DV Supportive Services Program, and is consistent with the recommendations previously approved by the Board of Supervisors on November 13, 2007 and on June 24, 2008. DV services include the provision of shelter, case management and legal services to victims of domestic violence residing in Los Angeles County.

DVSBP services can be accessed by the general public whereas the CalWORKs/GAIN/GROW/GR DV supportive services are available to the CalWORKs and GR population.

<u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

The recommended actions are consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goal No. 1: Operational Effectiveness.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no fiscal impact. The funding for these programs is included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2010-11 DPSS Budget. Funding in subsequent years will be requested as part of the Initial Budget Request process. These recommended actions will not result in additional cost to the County. The Department's delegated authority will allow the full utilization of the available funding.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On November 13, 2007 your Board delegated authority to CSS to execute Master Agreements for the provision of DVSBP services for the term of January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008, with an option to extend the Agreements for up to four one-year terms, based upon Contractors' performance, funding availability, provided that: (a) the amount of change does not exceed 25 percent of the original contract amount; (b) approvals of the CEO and County Counsel are obtained prior to any such amendment and (c) the Director of CSS confirms in writing to the Board of Supervisors and the CEO within 30 days after execution that such amendments have been executed.

On June 24, 2008, the Board of Supervisors delegated authority to CSS to execute contracts for the provision of CalWORKs/GAIN/GROW/GR DV supportive services for the term of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2011.

Additionally, your Board delegated authority to CSS or designee to execute contract amendments for CalWORKs/GAIN/GROW/GR DV supportive services to increase or decrease original contract amounts, based on Contractors' performance and availability of funding, provided that: (a) approvals of the CEO and County Counsel are obtained prior to such amendment; and (b) the Director of CSS confirms in writing to the Board of Supervisors and the CEO within 30 days after execution that such

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amendments have been executed.

On May 5, 2009, the CEO recommended that your Board transfer all Domestic Violence programs from CSS to DPSS as part of FY 2009-10 Proposed Budget.

On July 1, 2009, the administrative responsibility for the Domestic Violence Shelter Based Program and CalWORKs/GAIN/GROW/GR DV Supportive Services contracts were transferred to DPSS; however, no Board action was requested to transfer delegated authority from CSS to DPSS for these DV Contracts.

The Board letter has been approved by the CEO and County Counsel.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

No contracting process is necessary for the transfer of delegated authority from the Director of CSS to the Director of DPSS.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

As of the transfer of contracts from CSS to DPSS on July 1, 2009, there are 26 DVSBP contracts and 40 CalWORKs/GAIN/GROW/GR DV Supportive Services contracts with DPSS. The transfer of delegated authority from the CSS Director to the DPSS Director will have no impact on current services.

CONCLUSION

The Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, is requested to return one adopted stamped Board Letter to the Director of DPSS.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director

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